

## PEANUT-GROWERS WANT MORE TARIFF

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
SUFFOLK, Va., December 16.—Delegates from many counties in Eastern Virginia and Eastern North Carolina left today for Washington, where tomorrow morning they will appear before the congressional Ways and Means Committee to advocate an increased peanut tariff.

The most pretentious and representative meeting which has been held in the peanut belt took place today at Windsor, Va., where about 150 growers, chiefly from the counties of Isle of Wight, Nansemond and Southampton, assembled at the Hotel Richmond to discuss the tariff on peanuts. The delegates, who were accompanied by a large number of speakers favoring the move and emphasizing the threatened menace of foreign nuts, had a very successful day. The delegates were elected last night by the Business Men's Association of Suffolk. The delegates are: J. Peter Holland, Sydney McClellan, Jesse Whitely, Claude T. Minton, R. L. Ely, Mills Darden, W. M. Cobb, Jacob E. Bradshaw, J. M. Ely and J. R. Ely.

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Delegates also left today from Surry, Sussex and Prince George counties, Va., and from Eastern North Carolina.

The delegates, as a body, are not openly taking an active interest in the movement, though most of them are giving it their sympathy, while a few are lukewarm. The delegates from nearby counties are headed by J. Peter Holland, who recently ran for the democratic nomination on a peanut tariff plank.

GOES TO CHICAGO.  
Dr. Dodd Accepts Chair of American History.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ASHLAND, Va., December 16.—Dr. William E. Dodd, who is to leave today for Chicago, where they will make their home in the future, Dr. Dodd has accepted a chair of American history at the University of Chicago, and is now going to fill it with a year's leave of absence from his position as head of the department of history at Randolph-Macon College. Dr. Dodd, who is a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and the University of Chicago, where he studied under the noted historian Lamprecht, has been associated with Randolph-Macon College since 1900, and in that time has done much to make its department of history noted for its excellence. The professorship here is being offered by Professor Charles H. Ambler this year, and while Dr. Dodd has left with the privilege of returning, the chances for his return are very slight. He has received flattering offers from other large universities besides Chicago, among them the University of California.

During the past year Dr. Dodd has published a book entitled "The Life of Jefferson Davis," a Colonial history. Some of them say it will be fully 25 per cent short in bulk and 10 per cent short in weight. The crop was dug too early, for fear of frost, and the quality was poor. The result was a heavy loss. The loss was heavy and insurance small.

Old Landmark Destroyed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
FREDERICKSBURG, Va., December 16.—"Mount Stuart," a Colonial residence, the old homestead of the Grymes family, on the Potomac River, one of the landmarks of King George county, was destroyed by fire yesterday. The old mansion was unoccupied, but had recently been put in thorough repair, and had been occupied by a prominent family, who was soon to move in. The origin of the fire is unknown. The residence of Frank Dodd, in Stafford county, was destroyed by fire today, together with contents. No one was at home at the time. Mr. Dodd was in this city on business and received the news by special messenger, and the balance of the family had gone out into the night. The loss was heavy and insurance small.

Bitten by Dog.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
DANVILLE, Va., December 16.—Lewis Wertzler, the five-year-old son of Edward Wertzler, a sign painter, was bitten in the mouth this afternoon by a dog supposed to have been mad. The dog was killed and its head sent to a Baltimore hospital for examination.

Goes for Treatment.

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DANVILLE, Va., December 16.—John Taylor, the eight-year-old nephew of Howard Lanier, who was bitten several days ago by a dog supposed to be mad, is at a Baltimore hospital for treatment.

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## News of Petersburg

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Petersburg, Va., December 16.

Powhatan Starke Lodge, No. 124, of Masons last night elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: Forthright master, Captain Benjamin Harrison; senior warden, L. L. Kidd; junior warden, Eastburn Blankenship; senior deacon, E. L. Rock; junior deacon, Sidney B. Gill; secretary, L. L. Marks; treasurer, R. E. Gill. The appointive officers will be announced later. The lodge is holding its regular meeting at the Masonic Temple, No. 15, will elect its officers to-morrow night. The Masons of the city are arranging for a joint celebration of St. John's Day, December 27th.

The Petersburg Tobacco Association yesterday decided to discontinue sales of tobacco at the warehouses for the holidays on the 23d of December and to resume the same on the 7th of January. Meanwhile the planters are rushing the weed to market, and are getting low prices for their crops. Black wrappers sold yesterday for \$15 to \$20, a quality of which was sold at 1000 pounds of his crop at an average of \$10 per hundred.

The peanut planters of this section are rather disappointed over this year's crop. Some of them say it will be fully 25 per cent short in bulk and 10 per cent short in weight. The crop was dug too early, for fear of frost, and the quality was poor. The result was a heavy loss. The loss was heavy and insurance small.

Personal and Otherwise.

Mr. Richard H. Fox, a former member of the Fire Department, is critically ill of pneumonia at his home on Grove Avenue.

Nothing has yet been heard of Grant Watkins, the negro who cut out the ear and slashed the throat of William Sycamore Street. He left the city at once, and is believed to be wandering about in Dinwiddie county.

At 10 o'clock this evening, in the home of the bride's brother, Mr. Clarence Milford, on Union Street, Miss Inez Milford was united in marriage to Mr. William Temple of Prince George county.

It is not believed that a local option election will be asked for in Petersburg until the Anti-Saloon League feels assured of carrying the city.

Baseball Matters. Richmond, owner of the Virginia League baseball team of that city, was in Petersburg yesterday, and talked with several prominent baseball men relative to prospects next year. It is not improbable that Petersburg may be included in the State League next year.

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Accepts the Call.

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WEST POINT, Va., December 16.—Rev. A. J. Jones, formerly rector of Grace Episcopal Church, Albemarle, has accepted calls to St. John's, West Point, and a church at Urbanna, Middlesex. He will reside in Urbanna.

Want "Lid" in Hampton.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
HAMPTON, Va., December 16.—A committee representing the Elizabeth City County Civic Club, an organization formed to purify politics and better local conditions, visited Mayor Thornton of Jones today and requested him to place the lid on in Hampton. The Mayor was asked to stop the sale of soda water, "near beer," cigars and anything else but drugs on the Sabbath. It is expected that the Mayor will enforce the Sunday laws, and next Sunday will probably see "blue laws" carried out here. John W. Rowe, Jr., and W. H. Pearson composed the committee that waited on the Mayor.

Plant Destroyed.

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JETERVILLE, Va., December 16.—Fire at 1 o'clock this morning destroyed the stove of Mr. E. W. Varriner, of this place. The plant had been in operation only a short time. The owner, who was present, endeavored to prevent fire, his son having gone over the premises at 11 o'clock last night to see that everything was all right. All of the manufactured staves were saved. The fire was evidently of incendiary origin.

Woodmen Elect Officers.

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CLIFTON, Va., December 16.—William Pitt Camp, Modern Woodmen of America, Monday night elected officers for the coming year. For consul, William G. Riddick; executive, Walter H. Spruce; secretary, G. L. English; member of the board of managers for three years, T. J. Cole; physicians, Drs. C. L. Carter and W. F. Farrah.

Mayor Getting Even.

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NORFOLK, December 16.—Declaring that he is being discriminated against and his secretary poorly paid, Mayor James G. Riddick yesterday threatened with breaking into the house of W. H. Reynolds, near Chancellorsville, and stealing \$50 in money and a bond for \$50.

House Damaged by Fire.

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LYNCHBURG, Va., December 16.—An incendiary fire in South Lynchburg, early today did several hundred dollars' damage. The house had just been vacated, and another tenant was to move in today. There is no clue to the incendiary.

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## MAY PRESENT AN INSANITY PLEA

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DANVILLE, Va., December 16.—By summoning a venire from the county the jury was completed today in the trial of W. H. Bell, a former Danville saloon-keeper, for the murder of Sheriff W. V. Flannagan, of Draper, N. C., the jury consisting of six farmers and six men from this city. Additional names have had to be drawn from the county, owing to the fact that nearly all of those summoned from there had formed an opinion of the case.

Eight or ten witnesses for the Commonwealth were examined today, including several who saw the killing on October 24th in front of the home of Eva Boyd, where the two principals had been visitors, a few minutes before the tragedy. The evidence, as developed so far, tends only to show that Samuels shot Flannagan in the back as he was leaving the premises, and then fired again at him as he fell, almost prostrate, to the ground with blood gushing from his mouth.

Witnesses were introduced to show that the bullet entered the back, just under the neck, and to corroborate this the clothing worn by Flannagan on the day of the shooting was shown to the court and jury.

Boyd Testifies.

The testimony of Eva Boyd had a tendency to establish that the motive for the affray was jealousy over her. Samuels, though married, had long been a constant visitor at the Boyd house, and when Flannagan entered the house on October 24th, Samuels took exception to it. Eva Boyd was herself injured while attempting to wrest the pistol from the hands of Samuels.

J. T. Martin, a lumberman of near Pelham, N. C., testified that Flannagan was walking out of the gate with his overcoat in one hand and a hand satchel in the other when shot down from the rear.

Another witness testified to hearing Samuels say immediately after the shooting: "D—n you, I told you that if you did not stay away from here I would kill you."

In the introductory speech to the jury, Attorney Custer indicated that the defense would doubtless expect. He contended that the defense would prove that Flannagan had threatened Samuels, and that the latter acted to save his own life. He also said that the prosecution had some time been mentally unbalanced, his mind giving way under the strain of his trial here last year in the United States court for perjury and revenue frauds. At the time of the shooting, the prisoner, it is claimed by his attorneys, was in a drunken stupor.

Fire Chief Injured.

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NORFOLK, December 16.—Chief McLaughlin, of the Fire Department, was thrown from his buggy this morning on Granby street while responding to an alarm of fire. He was dragged several feet before the new horse he was riding threw him. He was severely bruised, but otherwise he escaped without material injury. The fire was at the home of Mrs. E. S. Varriner, on 28th Street, and was extinguished by the use of chemicals.

At noon, a large quantity of fireworks in the window of a small dealer in the name of Mendicino caused an alarm of fire. The damage was slight.

Deputy Sheriff Shot.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
PEACH BOTTOM, Va., December 16.—Mr. Fred Higgins, deputy sheriff of City County, was accidentally shot with a revolver last Saturday. Mr. Higgins, who resides near Old Town, was preparing to leave home on official business, and Mrs. Higgins was brushing his clothes when she accidentally struck the hammer of the gun, which was carried in a holster swung under the left arm, causing the gun to be discharged. The ball took effect in the left leg, inflicting a painful though not dangerous wound.

For Non-Support.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
NORFOLK, December 16.—Horace Burruss, a young white man, was today sent on to the Corporation Court on the charge of non-support of wife and child.

The charge was brought by J. B. Ewell, father of Mrs. Burruss. He charged that the young man, who has little for the support of his family since October of 1927, Young Burruss denies the charge, claiming that he is unable to furnish a house, that he refuses to live with him at his father's home, is the cause of his objections to her using snuff.

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### Fail Examination

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
LYNCHBURG, Va., December 16.—The State Medical Board began its fall examination this morning, with about seventy-five embryo physicians before the board for examination. The applicants for license to

practice medicine in the State will consume three days of the month, as it does not expect to adjourn until Friday evening.

### Officers Elected

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
LYNCHBURG, Va., December 16.—At a communication of Otter River Lodge, No. 272, A. F. & M., held last night, the following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing Masonic year: Eugene Ould, worshipful master; W. E. Arnold, senior warden; C. A. Douglas, junior warden; J. C. Thompson, secretary; W. S. Frazier, treasurer; Walter Fautourier, senior

deacon; W. C. Arthur, junior deacon; W. H. Hogan, tiller.

After the meeting an oyster supper was served and greatly enjoyed by those so fortunate as to be present. A number of visiting brethren were present, and there was quite a large turnout of the craft.

### DENIES THE "FIXING."

Turner's Manager Says He Had Nothing to Do With It.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
LYNCHBURG, Va., December 16.—Len Adams, manager for Joe Turner, the welterweight wrestler of Washington, in a letter, denies that Turner was a party to the alleged "fixing" of the bout pulled off here several weeks ago between Joe Turner and William Adams. Instead, Manager Stanley declared Adams was the man who wanted the bout "fixed," and he charges that the letter quoted to have been mailed by Turner from Washington to Adams, in which reference was made to this "fixing," was a pure "hoax."

The letter, however, "Turner has agreed to throw Adams twice in an hour for a side bet of \$500 in Lynchburg, or any other sum he may prefer to wrestle in Lynchburg, because we want to show the people there that Turner is no faker and what he really can do. Now we can get any backing for the amount stated, let somebody give us two round-trip tickets to Washington to join Adams, and if Turner don't throw him twice in an hour we will not want anything, but if he throws him twice in an hour we are to take the whole of the gate receipts."

"We will be satisfied to let you refer to the bout as a 'fixing' if you want, but let us select some one you think will be satisfied with both parties, but Midget Glenn is barred."

When seen to-day, Adams said he had nothing further to say about the match with Turner further than to say that if anyone doubted the statement as to the letter referred to by Mr. Stanley he would be glad to produce proofs that he received it through the mails as a special delivery.

### INQUIRIES PROVE FATAL

Mrs. Hulse Thrown From Buggy and Death Results.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
WARRENTON, Ore., December 16.—Mrs. H. Hulse, of Plains, Va., while returning from Warrenton, Ore., yesterday afternoon in company with her husband and child, was thrown from her buggy and so seriously injured that she died from her injuries today in the hospital where she was carried last night.

Gets New Position.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
LYNCHBURG, Va., December 16.—It was learned this afternoon that Mr. Allen Cuccilli, who has been in the bank for several years, has been elected cashier of the First National Bank, and that he will begin his duties with the local bank about January 1st. He will succeed the late George W. Moore.

It is understood the election took place by the board of directors a week ago, but the fact was kept quiet for the time being by the bank officials.

When Mr. William W. McCall, Jr., president of the bank, was asked about the election of Mr. Cuccilli to the cashier, he asked to be excused from saying anything for publication at the present time.

### McCall's Marks.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
PRINCE GEORGE, Va., December 16.—A beautiful home marriage took place at Prince George county, Va., Tuesday when Miss Willie Harrison Marks was given in marriage to Mr. James Henry McCall.

The bride entered with her brother-in-law, Mr. P. H. Temple, by whom she was given away. She was attended by her two sisters, Misses Anna and Edna Marks. The groom's brother, Mr. Frank McCall, was his best man. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. B. Bryan, D. D., of Grace Church, Petersburg, and the music was rendered by Mrs. John R. Jolly, a cousin of the bride.

His Leg Broken.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
FREDERICKSBURG, Va., December 16.—John Payne, of this city, had his right leg broken yesterday by the kick of a horse.

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